Deputation of Mr. Dwarakanath Aiyangar for higher studies in Ayurveda.

60. ✻MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they incur any expenditure and if so what, consequent on sending one Mr. Dwarakanath Aiyangar for higher studies in Ayurveda; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, (*i*) whether that individual is a Travancorean, (*ii*) his qualifications?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Financial aid to the extent of Rs. 1,500 has been sanctioned to Mr. Dwarakanath Aiyangar.

(*b*) (i) No.

(ii) L. I. M., of the Government School of Indian Medicine, Madras. He is also a scholarship holder for research work in Ayurveda from the German (Deutche) Academy tenable at the Faculty of Medicine, Hamburg University.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*): May I know the special reasons for selecting an outsider for this purpose?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): There is no Travancorean who has the same qualifications and who has already undergone some training in Germany.

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): May I know whether Government took the initiative or himself applied for financial help?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): He applied and on enquiry Government were satisfied with his *bona fides*.

Neyyattinkara-Poovar Road.

61. ✻ MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the fact that, near the 1st mile, 4th furlong in the Neyyattinkara-Poovar road, a portion of the road is from year to year submerged under water during the rains, causing considerable hardship to the public in general, has been brought to the notice of Government by means of interpellations in the Assembly and the Council and, if so, what action was taken in the matter; and

(*b*) whether an estimate was prepared, and, if so, when?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): (*a*) and (*b*) Yes. An estimate was sanctioned for the work in May 1936.

MR. N K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*): May I know the amount of the estimate sanctioned for the work?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): Rs. 4,580.

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